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AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Non-Final Office Action dated May 4, 2004, concerning the above-referenced patent application. Applicants have enclosed with this amendment a Petition for a one-month Extension of Time and appropriate fee to make this response timely filed on September 7, 2004 (September 4-5 weekend; September 6 Federal Holiday).

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows:

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